

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) Method for producing an effect yarn on an open-end rotor spinning machine, wherein the effect yarn comprises ~~which is formed from~~ an alternating lengthwise series line-up of webs of a predetermined smaller diameter and of effects consisting of predetermined thickenings of larger diameter relative to the webs, ~~and in which the method comprising the steps of reconnecting~~ the effect yarn ~~is reconnected~~ by means of a piecer after stoppages caused by yarn interruptions, while accelerating the spinning rotor during a run-up phase thereof to return to an operating speed, wherein a piecing region of the yarn is produced over a running yarn length of several meters following the piecer, the method being further, characterized by forming a series of webs and effects in the length of yarn produced as in that in the piecing region of the yarn following the piecer (31) during, ~~which comprises the run-up phase of the spinning rotor (11), an effect formation is carried out in the yarn.~~
2. (previously amended) Method according to claim 1, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the effect formation is coordinated with the run-up of the spinning rotor (11) in such a way that the same effect and web length configuration is produced as is produced during the spinning process.
3. (previously amended) Method according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the effect formation in the piecing region is controlled by a piecing unit which can be displaced along the open-end rotor spinning machine.
4. (previously amended) Method according to ~~any one of~~ claims 1 ~~to 3~~, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the effect is formed with the aid of the control of a draw-in motor (3).

5. (previously amended) Method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the effect formation is carried out in continuation of a yarn repeat which is discontinued by the yarn interruption.
6. (previously amended) Method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that effect yarn formation after the piecer (31) begins with the configuration of a web (35).
7. (currently amended) Effect yarn, which is formed from an alternating lengthwise series ~~line-up~~ of webs of a predetermined smaller diameter and effects consisting of predetermined thickenings of larger diameter relative to the webs, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the effect yarn (16) also comprises at least one piecing region comprising a yarn length of several meters produced during a re-start of yarn spinning after a spinning stoppage caused by a yarn interruption, wherein the piecing region of the yarn has a series of webs and effects (37, 39, 41) in the piecing region of the yarn directly following a piecer (31).